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Inspection of Cadet Guard of Honour by Vice-Admiral
Sir Charles E. Kennedy-Purvis, K.C.B.

WARTIME POLICY.

It is very hard in these times to write in a few words of the policy of this school in wartime. First of all, it may well be summed up by writing that our endeavour is to maintain not to innovate. That is to say that the real problem which confronts me is to maintain, as far as possible, some at any rate of the essential efficiency which has been built up during the years of peace. Some loss, of course, there must be; but my endeavour is to keep it to a minimum in the interests of the boys.

Secondly, my duty is clearly to see that certain aspects of these times are presented to the senior boys without overemphasis; the junior boys are not, for the most part, to be disturbed if it can possibly be avoided.

Thirdly, it is up to the school to play its part in the common effort. Early in the war I decided that this could best be done by concentrating the energies of the school and some voluntary contributions to the assistance of the Sailors Home and in the entertainment of Naval Ratings. Without these men Bermuda could not maintain herself; so it seemed to me fitting that this should be our main affiliation. In a minor way also the boys have been given a chance to play their part, as, for example, in the collection of silver-paper and tin-foil and in the collecting of clothing for the use of refugees.

Of one thing at any rate parents, Old Boys and present boys may be well assured, and that is, that everything possible will be done to keep the Saltus Grammar School in as good a condition as possible, with a view to further progress when normal times shall have returned.

Disappointment that this year should not be able to show the very considerable developments in the school which were under consideration is natural. But the morale of the school and the support of its friends has so far been well maintained; if this continues, perhaps we shall all be the more mature and able to make more rapid and wiser plans for the future of the school when the time comes.

OLD BOYS SERVING.

Many of our Old Boys both of the recent past and other times are now serving with His Majesty's Forces both here and abroad. They and their parents may be sure that our most anxious good wishes go to them and that they are constantly in our thoughts at the S. G. S.

REEB.

EDITORIAL.

At this time last year we suggested that it would be a good thing if members of the school could be articulate about their own activities, that others could only be interested in us, if we were sufficiently interested in ourselves to tell them all about us. Our voice is still raised in the same complaint, but, at least, the wilderness is not quite so barren this year as it has been. We have, after much persuasion, obtained two articles by boys in the school about their own activities. H. R. Outerbridge has written on the Sailors' Home; he is on the committee which is in charge of our concerns in that quarter, so that he should know something about it. And A. C. H. Hallett has written about the gramophone concerts in the lunch-hour. This was a more spontaneous contribution than the other, and, as Hallett is himself the moving spirit of the whole show, it is exactly the sort of thing that we want.

The truth of our contention that interest in our own activities arouses interest in others is admirably borne out by the Governor's gift of books to the Library. His Excellency was impressed by the Librarian's knowledge of his job, by the fact that he knew what books were popular and what were the gaps that needed filling.

When, however, we began this article, we had already despaired of persuading either of the Librarians to venture into print on the subject of their charge. We are now glad to be able to say that, as usual, pessimism was a mistake, and to the two articles mentioned above a third must be added, an article on the Library by a Librarian.

There is finally one other contribution by a member of the school. It must be classed in a different category from the others. The author is a very junior member of the school, and, so far as we know, the appearance of his composition in the Year Book will be his first intimation that publication was even being considered. But, in spite of the fact that it was composed as a punishment, in spite of the fact, that the author has had little success in the pursuit of the virtue that he professes to praise, yet there is apparent a simple directness of vision that approximates to genius.

So far, we have studiously avoided any reference to the change in the situation of the world since our last issue. This is deliberate. In a quiet way we have been doing our very little bit to help. For the rest, the best thing that we can do is not to be a nuisance to those who have other jobs, in other words, to carry on as nearly in a normal way as is possible in the circumstances.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Early this year His Excellency the Governor-in-Council appointed the Headmaster to be an associate member of the Cadet Committee. We offer our congratulations. It should prove of great assistance to the committee to have the advice of someone who is well acquainted not only with the military part of the organisation but also with the scholastic issues.

In September we lost the services of Mr. D. C. A. Goolden and Mr. E. R. Ilott. Mr. Goolden joined the Navy, and in these days when we are warned that any careless word that we utter may cause the loss of lives, it is as well, perhaps, to say nothing about his activities. Suffice it to say that he is missed here. Mr. Ilott was in England when war broke out, and found himself unable to return here. News of him has been very scanty since then, and, at the moment, we have not the least idea what he is doing. This term particularly he is being missed for his interest in the school's cricket.

To fill one of the gaps thus created Miss Steacey returned to the fold. We welcomed her back, but it was not to be for long, and now we have to offer her our felicitations on the occasion of her marriage to Lieut. M. P. Pollock, R.N. The ceremony took place in England last month.

We have now with us Miss Edith Smith and Mrs. Howard Trott, Jr. We extend a very hearty welcome to them, and express the hope that to their feminine eyes our masculine establishment has not seemed too utterly uncivilised during the last few months.

Next, our congratulations are offered to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Frewen on the birth of a son. This is an important occasion; not only are we looking forward to the day when the name Frewen appears on the First Form list, but never before, we believe, has the happy event occurred in the family of an assistant master actually on the staff of the school at the time.

We also congratulate Mrs. Booker on her appointment as Hon. Secretary of the Committee of the Empire Fete for War Charities recently held at Government House. The job involved a great amount of work and the show was thoroughly successful both financially and otherwise. Mrs. Booker is Vice-chairman of the Ladies' Hospitality Organisation, which entertains naval ratings at the Recreation Rooms in the Bermudiana Hotel.

We are glad to be able to announce that a Bermuda Scholarship has been awarded to T. I. Crawford. He has made arrangements to go to Cheltenham College in England. Our best wishes will go with him.

H. P. Malloy will also be leaving us at the end of the term. He has been admitted into Harvard, where he proposes, we understand, to study medicine.

The School has been doing what it can to help in the work of entertaining sailors. Later in this Year Book there is an article by one of the committee set up to direct our efforts, which have mainly consisted in the loan of the field and the arrangement of dances. Specially worth mention was the concert given by the Laconia Loonies. On another occasion there were some French 'submariners'. At first the language provided rather a handicap, but Mr. Goolden lent his services as master of ceremonies and under his direction everyone soon began to dance and to forget to be awkward.

Perhaps as a result of these activities, the School had what must be considered the immense privilege of visiting a cruiser at the Dockyard during war-time. We were asked not to mention names in this article, and we must be content to thank all those concerned in an impersonal way. But we can assure them that we are none the less grateful on that account. Very nearly a hundred boys took advantage of the opportunity. When we reached the ship the party was divided into groups of about a dozen, each of which was conducted round by one of the crew. Through the good offices of Mr. Hartley Watlington transport to and from the Dockyard was provided gratis by the Transportation Company.

In February we heard an interesting lecture by Professor C. T. Currelli, Director of the Ontario Museum of Archaeology. He chose as his subject 'Developments in Civilisation', and showed what far-reaching results could follow apparently insignificant events and discoveries. The whole lecture was enlivened by a series of anecdotes that kept one and all rapt in attention until the very end.

Once again the results of the School Certificate examination were very satisfactory. In the senior examination the following were successful: Adams, Benevides, Biggs, Crawford, Duffey, Malloy, Motyer i, Thompson. In the junior both candidates, Motyer ii and Rutherford, passed.

On March 18th. the competition for the Eldon Trimmingham Tennis Shield was won by Saltus House, who won all their matches. The Princess Hotel courts were lent to us for the occasion.

Mr. Hallett and Mr. Frewen have been appointed Cadet Officers to take charge of the School Cadet Corps in succession to Mr. Goolden.

On December 19th the Choir gave their annual concert of Christmas Carols in the School Hall. The results were so satisfactory that the performance was repeated later in the Cathedral. Mr. Bridge is to be congratulated on the success which he continues to achieve with the Choir.

The Band of the Saltus Cadet Corps gave an exhibition of marches at The Bermuda Sports Festival, held on April 18th in the show ring at the Agricultural Station.

Apart from the dances arranged during the year for sailors, a dance was held for parents, friends and old boys of the school on January 12th. The United States Consul and Mrs. Williamson lent their patronage. Bridge was provided at the Headmaster's house for those who did not want to dance.

Owing to the war the Boarding School has, unfortunately, had to be discontinued. As a corollary, there have been no kitchen facilities for a Lunch Room, and that too has ceased to function.

Lazenby has now made so many trips here from New York that he has become news. A New York paper published a large photograph of him with the information that he has now made thirty-six trips, thirty-three of them unaccompanied.

This year the Shop has added to the variety of its stock by selling half-pint bottles of milk and chocolate milk in the Break and in the Lunch hour.

OLD BOYS' NEWS.

O. H. Darrell has added another to the long list of Rhodes Scholars who have come from Saltus. He was awarded a Bermuda Scholarship two years ago, and has been at Cheltenham College. On account of the unusual situation created by the war, he has not waited until October to go to Oxford, but is there now, at Magdalen College.

W. C. H. Hallett is now Captain of the School, Captain of Rugger and Captain of Athletics at Rossall. In the early days of the war Rossall was evacuated to Naworth Castle, near Carlisle. The available buildings were not very suitable, and soon after they were settled there, an epidemic of measles broke out. Hallett seems to have done a great deal of valuable work in organising the School's activities, and even in nursing the sick.

W. R. Kempe has left Rossall, and we take the following summary of his achievements from the 'Rossallian': Higher Certificate; House Monitor; Swimming IV 1938 and 1939; House Rugger, Hockey, Boxing, Gym, Swimming Colours; Corpl. in O. T. C.; Cert. A. He has gone to Edinburgh University, where he has been swimming, we understand, for the University.

Mac. Paschal obtained a Second Class in Maths. Moderations at Oxford. He also rowed in his College IV at Henley.

Glyn Gilbert has passed out of the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, and has been gazetted 2nd. Lieutenant in the Lincolnshire Regiment.

S. A. Roberts has passed the Government test in Aviation Construction in the U. S. A.

N. H. Williams has been teaching at the Evening School sponsored by the Rotary Club, and on several occasions, when a member of the staff at Saltus has been absent, has come up to the School to act as substitute.

F. G. Lines continues to do well at the Montana School of Mines. A few months ago he was unlucky enough to fall down a disused mine-shaft; fortunately he struck some obstacle on the way down, but his condition was considered serious for some days. He is now completely recovered.

E. F. Aitken came regularly during the winter to help with the band.

St. G. Tucker, Ewing Tucker, Lyall Mayor and H. W. Murphie visited the School during the summer and had lunch with the Headmaster.

We have also heard from J. D. Misick, at Ampleforth College, and from F. J. Leseur on H. M. S. Conway. Both seem to be doing well and enjoying life. Misick was present at his sister's wedding in England.

There is a very large number of Saltus Old Boys in the B. V. R. C. and B. V. E. Many of them constantly visit the School. In so many it would be invidious to mention names, but we should like them to know that their continued interest in the activities of the place is greatly appreciated.

H. F. Stephens, who joined the B. V. R. C. soon after the outbreak of war, has just been accepted for training as a pilot under the scheme operating locally. We offer him our congratulations, as competition was keen and we know that his heart has been set on learning to fly for some time now.

THE VISITS OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

Since His Excellency arrived in Bermuda last November, we have been honoured by two visits. Both have been of an informal nature, and he has been content to walk round the school and see us at work and play. As a matter of fact, he probably has obtained a much more accurate impression in that way than if he had arrived with all the pomp and circumstance of an official visit.

His Excellency came first on November 28th. He visited every classroom, and it was obvious from the beginning that his interest was by no means perfunctory. After school he watched the Cadet Corps parade, and, later still, the band practice. At the end of the afternoon he informed the Headmaster that he had thoroughly enjoyed the visit and had been impressed by the cheery keenness of the boys. He particularly praised Aitken and the Band.

At the beginning of May His Excellency came again, and made an even more thorough tour of inspection than before. He surprised and impressed a number of boys by remembering them and their activities from his previous visit. He had a special word of approval for Petty's management of the Library, and gave expression to that approval by a most generous gift of books. Two or three days later, at his invitation, Adams and Petty went up to Government House for tea, and His Excellency added still further to his kindness by autographing the books which he had presented. For this, and for his interest in the school generally, we are

deeply grateful, being fully conscious that, especially in these difficult times, his encouragement can materially assist us to continue our progress of recent years, whatever obstacles may be thrown in our way.

VISIT OF MAJOR E. DUTTON, ACTING-GOVERNOR OF BERMUDA.

On Friday, Nov. 3rd., we were honoured by the visit of Major E. Dutton, Acting-Governor of Bermuda. A Guard of Honour, provided by the Cadet Corps was drawn up on the Parade Ground to receive him. The Acting-Governor then made a tour of the school and saw the boys at their work. There followed a General Assembly in Hall at which the Acting-Governor addressed the School. He praised the smart appearance of the Cadets, and impressed on us the fact that both the Cadet Corps and the organisation of the school as a whole gave the boys a chance to learn that quality, so necessary just now, responsibility. He went on to relate the history of a series of difficult incidents on the Abyssinian frontier, where a young officer had shown a mixture of tact and firmness that saved the situation. That young officer is now Sir John Waddington, a Saltus Old Boy.

At the conclusion of the Assembly the Acting-Governor watched the boys give a display of P. T. on the field.

EMPIRE DAY CELEBRATION.

The School held its celebration of Empire Day on Thursday, May 23rd. Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Kennedy-Purvis, Commander-in-Chief of the America and West Indies Squadron of the Royal Navy, had kindly consented to give the address. On his arrival the Admiral inspected the Cadet Guard of Honour, drawn up on the parade ground to receive him.

At the Assembly in Hall the I. O. D. E., to whose efforts the celebration of Empire Day in Bermuda is largely due, was represented by Mrs. Leon Powell. In his address the Admiral stressed the fact that it was only the defeatists who had any apprehensions about the ultimate issue of the present conflict. Britain had twice at least in her history been faced by as great a danger of invasion, when Drake scattered the Spanish Armada, and when Nelson defeated the fleet of Napoleon. She had survived those crises by the merit of her navy and would do the same again.

On Empire Day it was fitting to remember the Navy's connection with the Empire. Sailors had first settled the distant outposts of the world, and later had defended those settlements and kept intact the vital links which bound them to the Mother Country; and the Navy preserved the life of the Mother Country, without which the Empire would disintegrate.

There was, after all, this encouraging consideration at the present time, that Germany's drive to prosecute hostilities on land was a confession by them that they had already suffered one great failure in the war, for, at the beginning, they had made immense efforts to blockade Britain's sea-borne trade.

The proceedings closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

LECTURE BY LIEUT.-COMMANDER J. B. HERAPATH.

At the beginning of February we had the pleasure of hearing from Lieut-Commander Herapath how the Dusseldorf, later renamed the Poland, had been captured by H. M. S. Despatch. Lieut-Commander Herapath had been in command of the Dusseldorf from the coast of Chile to Bermuda.

After foiling an attempt on the part of the Germans to reach territorial waters, the Despatch sent a boarding party on board. These men were only just in time to save the ship, as bombs had been set. By prompt and courageous action the boarding party prevented these from doing serious damage, although one bomb exploded while the party was looking for it.

The Germans apparently expected harsh treatment, and were quite friendly when their fears were allayed. The only punishment ever inflicted on a German sailor was the washing of the laundry when that was necessary.

They had a triumphal passage through the Panama Canal, where vast numbers of people had come to watch them and to take photographs. After that the rest of the journey to Bermuda was without incident.

The School displayed very evident interest throughout the recital, and the cheers which they gave at the end were proof positive of their appreciation of the performance.

THE SAILORS' HOME.

In January, Mr. L. N. Tucker, Superintendent of the Bermuda Sailors' Home, gave the school a talk on the Home and the way in which it was run. He said that he knew that schoolboys would be glad to do what they could to help, so that they would be able to say after the war that they had done their bit. Old clothing, magazines and games were badly needed.

A committee was elected from the Upper Sixth, Sixth and Fifth Forms, and each boy was given his particular job. One was to look after magazines, one clothing, and another was to try to procure a gramophone. This was very generously given to the Home by Mr. B. W. Malloy. Collecting boxes were put in the school shop, and customers were urged to drop in their spare pennies and halfpennies. The rooms under the Headmaster's house were converted into games rooms, and it was arranged that small parties of sailors should come over to the school and be entertained or play games on the field. This proved to be a great success. Then dances and concerts were arranged in the Assembly Hall, and the proceeds divided between the Sailor's Home and the sailors who took part.

Finally the boys helped to start a shop in the Naval Recreation Rooms in the Bermudiana Hotel. Candy and cigarettes are sold there, and on some afternoons a boy goes over there and looks after the shop.

Committee:—Mr. H. Richardson, J. Adams, R. Biggs, R. R. Thompson, H. R. Outerbridge, J. I. Lough, C. R. Young.

CRICKET AND FOOTBALL.

Last year's cricket season can undoubtedly be reckoned as the most successful the school has ever had, if the standard of play is anything by which to judge. This was due mainly to the untiring efforts of Mr. Ilott in taking nets practice at every opportunity, and the very great improvement must have been a source of immense satisfaction to him as well as to the others concerned.

Of the matches played, the 1st. XI won four and lost one, while the results of the 'Colt's' matches was one win and one loss. The House matches also provided good cricket and after tying for first place with Saltus, Watlington defeated them in the replay.

The football season was also quite successful. The 1st. XI was sound in defence, but lacked thrust in attack, which probably was due to the youthfulness of the forward line. Only four matches were played, the school winning two and losing the others. The 'Colt's' had an excellent side this year, their strength lying chiefly in the fact that all positions were adequately filled by players of approximately equal skill. In the B. S. S. A. competition they won all eight matches played, scoring 35 goals with only one against them, thus regaining the trophy surrendered to St. George's the year before.

The House matches as usual gave some of the younger players valuable experience with bigger boys. Watlington were again the winners of the shield for the House competition, during both terms, although Darrell tied with them in points, yet Watlington had the better goal average.

Fixtures were also arranged for the 2nd. XI and some very keen games resulted.

ATHLETIC SPORTS AND SWIMMING.

The Field and Track Sports were held this year on Thursday, March 7th.—the earliest in the season that they have ever been held as far as can be ascertained.

The programme was the same as that of the past few years, a total of forty events being contested, some having been held some weeks earlier. The standard of performance was generally good, four records being broken and one other equalled. The House competition was won easily by Watlington House with 113 points, their closest rival being Darrell House with only 51 points. J. F. Motyer won the senior point cup and was appointed Captain of Athletics while P. N. Spurling won the Junior point cup.

The School did not fare quite as well as they have in the past in the Annual B. S. S. A. Inter-School Sports. This year we only won twelve events and they were chiefly events in the older age groups. We were undoubtedly handicapped in the other groups by the absence of three of our best performers, although it was quite evident that, as the B. S. S. A. hold each succeeding meet, competition becomes keener and closer. Mr. N. H. Williams again very kindly gave his assistance in the evenings in training the Inter-School contestants, and our success is largely due to his untiring efforts.

The Inter-House Swimming competition was held in the Princess pool at the beginning of last Christmas term. This was again won by Watlington House with 73 points while Darrell was second with 35 points. Special mention should be made of J. F. Motyer, who broke the Bermuda Schoolboy record for the 100 yards Breast stroke, being timed at 1 min 20.8 sec. Unfortunately, for these Sports we were without the help of Mr. Brooks, although he had been here all summer, as was evidenced by the improvement in the contestants.

In the B. S. S. A. Inter-School competition, Saltus again acquitted themselves creditably winning 3 groups and 12 individual events.

MATCH RESULTS.—1939-1940.

Football.

First XI Matches:

8th. Nov. Saltus beat K.S.L.I. Band Boys.....	1—0	Home
16th. Nov. Saltus lost to Old Boys	2—4	Home
30th. Nov. Saltus lost to Dockyard Appren- tices	2—3	Home
19th. Jan. Saltus beat K.S.L.I. Band Boys	3—2	Home

Second XI Matches:

15th. Dec. Saltus drew with Whitney Institute	1—1	Home
22nd. Jan. Saltus lost to Whitney Institute	4—7	Home

Colts XI in Junior League:

30th. Nov. Saltus beat Whitney Institute	5—0	Home
6th. Dec. Saltus beat Dockyard School	3—0	Away
Dec. Saltus beat St. George's Grammar School	3—0	Home
17th. Jan. Saltus beat Warwick Academy	7—0	Home
31st. Jan. Saltus beat Dockyard School	4—0	Home
7th. Feb. Saltus beat Whitney Institute	6—1	Away
12th. Feb. Saltus beat St. George's Gram- mar School	2—0	Away
21st. Feb. Saltus beat Warwick Academy	4—0	Home

HOUSE MATCHES:—**Christmas Term.**

Butterfield was defeated by Darrell, Saltus, Watlington.
 Darrell beat Butterfield; was defeated by Saltus, Watlington.
 Saltus beat Butterfield, Darrell; was defeated by Watlington.
 Watlington beat Butterfield, Darrell, Saltus.
 Shield won by Watlington; Saltus second.

Easter Term.

Butterfield was defeated by Darrell, Saltus, Watlington.
 Darrell drew with Watlington; beat Saltus, Butterfield.
 Saltus beat Butterfield; was defeated by Darrell, Watlington.
 Watlington drew with Darrell; beat Saltus, Butterfield.
 Watlington won the Shield from Darrell on goal average.

CRICKET:—

19th. April. First XI (107 for 8) v. Staff and Second XI	
(172 for 9)	Drawn
25th. April. First XI (73 for 5) v. Old Boys (165 all	
out)	Drawn

HOUSE MATCHES:—

To time of going to press Saltus and Watlington have each beaten the other two Houses and drawn with each other. They have to play again to decide the winner of the Shield.

CUBS.

In spite of many vicissitudes the Pack has had a most successful year.

Mr. Frewen was transferred to the Cadets, (the Cubs miss him very much) and later, Miss Steacey, who had taken over the Pack again, left in order to go to England to be married. Cubs showed their appreciation of Miss Steacey by presenting her with an Enamel Ash Tray as a wedding gift.

An outstanding event for the Cubs was the visit of His Excellency the Governor. His Excellency, as chief Scout in Bermuda, took the Grand Howl, and afterwards told the Cubs that "that was the first time anything like that had happened to him."

Senior Sixer Seymour, sixers Tucker, Smith, Butterfield, and seconds Lazenby, Brown, Gosling, Dunch, did excellent work at the Empire Fete held in Government House grounds on April 11th.

On Empire Sunday 20 Cubs took part in the service at the Cathedral, and in the Parade which followed. At this parade the new Jack and Wolf Heads were displayed for the first time, the whole turnout looked extremely smart. A Rally at Government House is to take place on June 30th. three New Chums are to be invested as Wolf Cubs, this investiture is to be our part in the Rally.

THE LIBRARY.

During the past year the Library has seen many improvements, and has become a prominent feature of school life. In the lunch hour it is constantly in use and provides a comfortable retreat where those who stay to lunch may read books, magazines or the newspaper. The acquisition of a settee and some easy chairs has greatly increased its popularity, while, apart from the Lending Library, a large number of pamphlets, magazines and picture papers, some of which are received regularly, is always available for those who do not join the Library for the sole purpose of borrowing books.

Another new and important section is the Reference Library, which includes several sets of encyclopaedias and numerous other sources of information, mainly presented by the Old Boys' Association. The latest gift to the Library is that of a reading desk of cedar presented by Mrs. John Cox and Mrs. Brewer. It has proved of invaluable help in keeping the newspapers under control.

The support given to us this year shows that the Library is being increasingly appreciated. The Old Boys' Association regularly presents batches of new books, while several parents have followed their example. His Excellency the Governor has taken a great interest, and has been kind enough to present us with a number of books by the

authors most in demand among our readers. This constant addition of books both maintains the interest of regular readers, and releases older books for dispatch to the Sailors' Home.

Most of the boys co-operate very well in the way of looking after the books in their possession, and generally they are prompt in returning them. Those who fail in this respect have recently had to pay a small fine. It has proved a very effective incentive to punctuality, and at the same time makes money available for the purchase of new books. One has already been bought in this way.

TIDINESS.

A few days ago, a boy in the Junior School was put into detention for chronic untidiness. The following is an absolutely untouched and spontaneous composition. We may add that there were two blots in the middle of the page.

tidyness.

I would like to tell you about being tidy. I have a garden home which is always tidy, our animals are all tidy, our house is tidy, our lawn is tidy, my mother is tidy. All my toys are kept tidy by my mother. But my parents have one misfortune, they have an untidy boy who is me. My teacher is always giving me pessimes for an untidy desk, every boy should be tidy, and every thing should be tidy, but unfortunately I am not.

It is our considered opinion that, when once he has acquired that cardinal virtue, the author might well have a distinguished future in the realm of letters.

GRAMOPHONE CONCERTS.

The gramophone concerts played in the lunch-hour started as an experiment just over a year ago, with Drake and Hallett in charge of programmes and operations. When Drake left, his place was taken by R. Motyer. At first, the machine used was an early model Atwater Kent, but, at the end of last term an old Phillips was coupled together with the Atwater Kent, and much greater volume was produced as a result. Our store of records is not very large, and we shall welcome any additions to it. We announce all the records through a microphone, but the quality of the reproduction provided by this microphone leaves much to be desired.

Our programmes are arranged so that on Mondays we have Symphonies, Sonatas, Selections from Opera and well-known Classical pieces, on Wednesdays we have songs, ballads and other vocal works, while on Fridays we have dance music, popular songs and other light music.

We should like to add that we are prepared to take full responsibility for all records left in our care.

A specimen programme is reproduced below.

A. C. H. H.

MONDAY'S AFTER-LUNCHEON.

PROGRAMME

Sonatas In C Sharp Minor (Moonlight)

(BEETHOVEN)

Piano solo by Ignace Paderewski

- (1) 1st. Movement Adagio Sostenuto
- (2) 2nd. Movement Allegro & Trio
- (3) 3rd. Movement Presto Agitato
- (4) 3rd. Movement Presto Agitato (concluded)

Minuet in G Major

Paderewski's own composition. (Piano solo)

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Ludwig Van Beethoven was born in Bonn, of Dutch extraction in the year 1770. He was the composer of the world's greatest symphonies and sonatas of which this is one of his most famous. This was composed in the year 1802. He attracted the attention of both Handel and Mozart but at the age of 40 he was stricken deaf. In spite of this handicap he carried on and won the admiration of the whole world.

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ANNUAL BOXING COMPETITION.

On Friday, Feb. 23rd. the fifth annual Boxing Competition took place in the Hall under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor. The Hall was packed to capacity and the standard of boxing was first-class. In fact one visitor, who knew what he was talking about, was heard to remark that he had got more for his shilling than he had got for several dollars when he had seen Joe Louis beat Farr. At the end of the competition an exhibition bout was staged by Police-Constable Arthur Childs, who had also assisted with the training of the competitors, and Mr. E. Stedman of Imperial Airways.

We should like to express our thanks to them, to the referee, timekeeper and judges for their services, and to the Electric Light Co., for the loan of the floodlights, and, of course, by no means least, to the boxers for a very good show.

The results, starting from the lightest weight, were as follows:—Burland 4 beat Shanks; Tatem 3 beat Frith 1; Terceira beat Wingate; Mercer beat Swainson; Barnard beat Tatem 1; Cox 1 beat Spurling 2; Tucker 1 beat Sheppard; Adderley beat Pantry 2; Leseur 1 beat Harvey; Spurling 1 beat Malloy 1; Floyd beat Crawford; Welch beat Moniz 1.

At the conclusion the John Cox Shield, won by Watlington House, was presented to Welch by His Excellency.

CADET NOTES.

Promotions:—C.S.M.—Sgt. Aitken; Sergeants—Cpls. Adams, Benevides, Biggs, Duffey, Motyer; Corporals—L/Cpls. Crawford, Fall, Malloy, Moniz; L/Cpls.—Cadets Adderley, Curtis, Floyd, Petty, Welch.

Strength:—84.

Camp:—Was held in 1939 at Warwick from July 5th.—12th.

Guards of Honour:—October 6th., 1939 for the Colonial Secretary, Major the Hon. E. A. Dutton.

—May 23rd., 1940 for Admiral Sir. C. Kennedy-Purvis.

B.V.R.C. Instructors:—Sergts. Heal and Saul.

Field Day:—Was held on March 12th. on Devonshire Golf Course. H. E. The Governor, Sir. D. K. Bernard, was present.

Shooting:—Badges for the year ending 30th. April, 1940 have been obtained by Sgts. Adams, Benevides, and Duffey, Corporals Crawford and Malloy, L/Cpls. Adderley and Floyd, Cadets Leseur and Rutherford.

B. V. E. Instructional Classes:—For certain Cadets commenced on 12th. May, 1940.

Equipment:—The Company has now been fully equipped with regulation clothing.

BAND

Drum Major—L/Cpl. Welch, Drummers—Corporal Malloy, Cadets Leseur, Irvine, Young, Rutherford, Barnard. Buglers—Sergeants, Adams, Benevides, Motyer, Corporal Fall, L/Cpl. Curtis and Floyd, Cadets Pantry 1, Trott, Williams, King, Motyer 4, Butterfield, Den-nett, Thompson 2, Cymbals—L/Cpl. Petty.

Instructor:—Corporal Webb, K. S. L. I.

The Band took part in the Bermuda Sports Festival at the Agricultural Station on April 18th., 1940, and was congratulated by H. E. The Governor.

Beating of the Retreat was performed on Founders Day, June 20th.

We should like to pay a tribute to Sgt. Adams. The maintenance of the Buglers' high standard of efficiency has been chiefly due to his very able leadership, enthusiasm and energy.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

Interest in the activities of the Society has been maintained during the past season, and representatives of the younger generation continue to join our ranks as they become eligible. One condition of membership is the contribution during each season of at least one speech of merit; a few are content with this, but most members feel the urge more frequently; the stalwarts of the older generation continue to give a good lead.

The activities of the season have included:—

Oct. 19. General meeting for the Election of Officers.

Nov. 2. Debate on the Motion, "This House deplores the vulgarity of modern taste."

Proposer:—F. D. Duffey.

Opposer:—H. P. Malloy.

Third:—H. C. Butterfield.

Fourth:—H. Zuill.

While claiming to be one of the moderns, the Proposer expressed himself out of sympathy with modern stream-line tendencies in architecture,—and in dress, especially women's dress. Modern styles were bare and cold; he preferred the warmer styles of earlier days, the substantial architecture and the old oak panelling. (Crinolines and bustles were not mentioned.) There was too much "swing" in modern music, and too much trash in modern output generally. Which did they prefer, asked the third speaker, the mellow architecture of the old English cathedral, or something in the modern style? As to music, he considered modern composition too prolific; that of other days took longer to compose, and so was better workmanship than the modern, which catered for a restless taste, and was in consequence largely superficial. Another speaker suggested that the people of earlier times relied more on natural beauty, whereas moderns relied more on the artificial and make-up; and the use of much slang tended to vitiate the beauty of modern language.

The Opposition arraigned the Proposer of confusing vulgarity with utility. Anyway, there was too much uniformity in the world today; a flaming red tie helped to relieve the monotony, as the warmer music helped to relieve the feelings. As to the artificial, the excavations of archaeologists revealed that the painted Egyptian beauties

could probably teach the moderns "a thing or two" about make-up. Even slang was not without its value; it usually responded to the need to express some new idea; what was slang to-day would be accepted as good English to-morrow.

However, the spirit of great grandmother Prim and great grandfather Proper descended upon the House to carry the Motion.

Feb. 2. Debate on the Motion, "That Public Opinion is a snare and a delusion."

Proposer:—F. D. Duffey.

Opposer:—J. F. Motyer.

Third:—H. A. Leseur.

Fourth:—J. Adams.

Public opinion was not always wrong, but it was unpredictable, maintained the Proposer. Furthermore, mass opinion was often misleading; statesmen knew best because they had a more expert and informed view of public affairs; yet public opinion sometimes required that they should subordinate their own more enlightened convictions to a public opinion which might have been evoked by some unscrupulous politician or others using platform, Press, radio and the "whispering gallery" to play cleverly on mass emotion from ulterior motives. The ordinary man usually took his opinions ready-made; he had his own job to do, and hadn't the time to go fully into the whys and wherefores of the case; often when he felt most strongly, he was feeling through the mind of somebody else, though he might delude himself in believing that it was his own opinion.

The Opposers viewed the Motion as an insidious attack upon rights and liberties which were enshrined in Magna Carta and in the hearts of all Englishmen. It concerned certain fundamentals upon which the whole structure of democratic government rested, upon the right of the people to govern themselves through their freely elected representatives. It was true that those representatives would do some of the people's thinking for them, but public opinion would ensure that in its broad outlines that thinking would follow the direction desired; public opinion was dynamic, and when the chosen representative ceased to represent it, then public opinion would bring that fact home to him. If it was to be fair, government must be guided by public opinion; otherwise it might mean government by the few in the interest of the few. Under the opposite form of government, the dictator-

ship, they saw public opinion suppressed; it might be efficient, but whither did it lead? The voice of the people was sacred, and should not be stifled: Vox populi vox Dei.

Public Opinion then expressed itself in effecting the defeat of the Motion.

Feb. 15. Hat Debate. Each member made one or more impromptu speeches. Among the subjects were these:—

Some people live on what others throw away.

Is Co-education a good thing?

Bermuda should have Votes for Women.

Schoolboys talk too much.

Would you like to be an Eskimo?

Bermuda should eat more greens.

Salтус should have a school parrot.

Would you rather live now or in 2,040?

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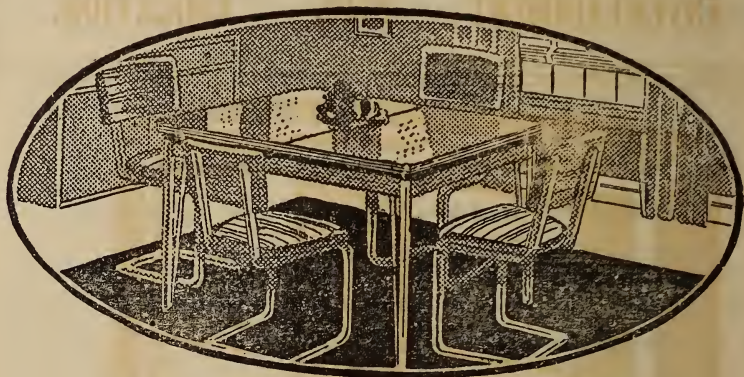
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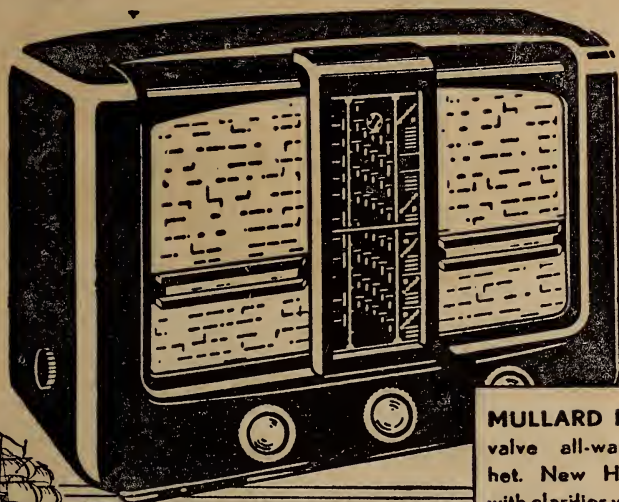
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